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For: <b>Measuring Apparatus and Its</b>	)	
<b>Method</b>	)	

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The following is listed on the accompanying PTO/SB/08 and is in a non-English language:

H. Tsuchida, et al., "Evaluation on Intermittent Claudication Using Near Infrared Spectroscopy", Japanese Journal of Vascular Surgery, 1998, Vol. 7, No. 3 pp. 475-487 -

The relevance of this document is discussed at page 1 of the specification of the present application.


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